

# KEY MEMORY VERSES

Our articles “[Memorizing Scripture: Why?](#)” and “[How to Memorize Bible Scriptures](#)” discuss the reasons to memorize scriptures and give some tips for how to do it. Here is a basic list of scriptures you may want to consider memorizing by category. This list includes three major scriptures on each subject—it is not a definitive listing of scriptures on each topic.

## GOD

Genesis 1:1  
John 4:24  
Romans 1:20

## JESUS CHRIST

John 1:1, 14  
John 8:58  
Colossians 1:16

## GOD’S NATURE & POWER

Psalms 90:2  
Isaiah 46:9-10  
1 John 4:8

## THE BIBLE

2 Timothy 3:16  
Matthew 4:4  
John 17:17

## KINGDOM OF GOD

Daniel 7:27  
Matthew 6:33  
1 Corinthians 15:50

## THE GOSPEL

Mark 1:14-15  
Matthew 24:14  
Galatians 1:8-9

## SIN

Isaiah 59:2  
Romans 6:23  
1 John 3:4

## 10 COMMANDMENTS

Matthew 5:17-19  
Romans 7:12  
1 John 5:3

## THE SABBATH

Genesis 2:2-3  
Ezekiel 20:20  
Mark 2:27-28

## GOD’S HOLY DAYS

Leviticus 23:2  
Zechariah 14:16  
1 Corinthians 5:7-8

## GOD’S LOVE

Deuteronomy 7:9  
John 3:16  
1 John 4:8

## DEATH

Ecclesiastes 9:5, 10  
John 3:13  
Hebrews 9:27

## RESURRECTIONS

John 5:28-29  
1 Corinthians 15:51-52  
Revelation 20:4-6

## THE CHURCH

Matthew 16:18  
1 Corinthians 14:33  
Colossians 1:18

## FAITH

2 Corinthians 5:7  
Hebrews 11:1, 6  
James 2:17

## GOD’S PLAN

Hebrews 2:10  
1 Timothy 2:4  
2 Peter 3:9

## PRAYER

Psalms 55:17  
Matthew 6:6  
James 5:16

## HEALING

Exodus 15:26  
Isaiah 53:5  
James 5:14

## CHRISTIAN LIVING

Romans 8:9-10  
Galatians 2:20  
James 1:27

## FALSE CHRISTIANITY

Mark 7:7  
Luke 6:46  
1 John 2:4

## RETURN OF CHRIST

1 Thessalonians 4:16  
Hebrews 9:28  
Revelation 19:11-12

## BAPTISM

Acts 2:38  
Romans 6:4  
Colossians 2:12-13

## REPENTANCE

Matthew 3:8  
Acts 3:19  
Romans 2:4

# KEY BIBLE CHAPTERS TO KNOW

Here is a listing of key chapters that contain important themes.

## GENESIS 2

Creation of the Sabbath, humankind and marriage.

## GENESIS 12

God calls Abram.

## GENESIS 49

Blessings on 12 tribes of Israel for the last days.

## EXODUS 12

Institution of the Passover.

## EXODUS 20/DEUTERONOMY 5

The 10 Commandments.

## LEVITICUS 11/DEUTERONOMY 14

Listing of clean and unclean meats.

## LEVITICUS 23

God's holy days.

## LEVITICUS 26/DEUTERONOMY 28

Blessings and curses.

## PSALM 23

The Shepherd's Psalm.

## PSALM 51

David's prayer of repentance.

## PSALM 119

Psalm to God's law and Word.

## PROVERBS 31

The virtuous woman.

## ISAIAH 2

Millennial reign of Jesus Christ.

## ISAIAH 11

Millennial reign of Jesus Christ.

## ISAIAH 14/EZEKIEL 28

Origin of Satan.

## ISAIAH 52-53

The suffering Servant prophecies.

## ISAIAH 58

Fasting that pleases God.

## ISAIAH 59

Sin separates us from God.

## EZEKIEL 37

Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones.

## DANIEL 2

Great image of gentile kingdoms.

## DANIEL 7

Vision of the four beasts.

**DANIEL 11**

Prophecy of kings of the North and South.

**ZECHARIAH 14**

Feast of Tabernacles to be kept in the Millennium.

**MATTHEW 4/LUKE 4**

Jesus tempted.

**MATTHEW 5, 6, 7**

Sermon on the Mount.

**MATTHEW 23**

Jesus' rebuke of the scribes and Pharisees.

**MATTHEW 24, MARK 13, LUKE 21**

The Olivet Prophecy.

**MATTHEW 26, MARK 14, LUKE 22, JOHN 13**

Christ's final Passover.

**MATTHEW 28**

The Great Commission to the Church.

**JOHN 1**

The Word and origin of Jesus Christ.

**JOHN 17**

Jesus' prayer before He was arrested.

**ACTS 2**

Pentecost and the giving of the Holy Spirit.

**ACTS 9**

Conversion of Saul/Paul.

**ACTS 10**

Peter's vision and gentiles added to the Church.

**ACTS 15**

Jerusalem conference regarding circumcision.

**ACTS 17**

Paul on Mars Hill in Athens.

**ROMANS 1**

Mankind's rejection of the Creator.

**ROMANS 6**

Baptism and repentance.

**ROMANS 8**

The Holy Spirit Chapter.

**1 CORINTHIANS 5**

Spring festivals.

**1 CORINTHIANS 7**

Principles of marriage.

**1 CORINTHIANS 10**

Old Testament lessons for us today.

**1 CORINTHIANS 11**

New Testament Passover.

**1 CORINTHIANS 12**

Spiritual gifts.

**1 CORINTHIANS 13**

The Love Chapter.

### **1 CORINTHIANS 14**

Tongues and orderly church.

### **1 CORINTHIANS 15**

The Resurrection Chapter.

### **2 CORINTHIANS 7**

Godly sorrow produces repentance.

### **GALATIANS 5**

Works of the flesh and fruit of the Spirit.

### **EPHESIANS 4**

Structure and unity in the Church.

### **EPHESIANS 5**

Instructions on marriage.

### **EPHESIANS 6:10-20**

Armor of God.

### **PHILIPPIANS 2**

Humility and Jesus Christ.

### **1 THESSALONIANS 4**

Return of Christ and resurrection.

### **2 THESSALONIANS 2**

The end-time apostasy.

### **1 TIMOTHY 3**

Qualifications of elders and deacons.

### **TITUS 1**

Qualifications of elders.

### **HEBREWS 6**

Foundational doctrines of the Church of God.

### **HEBREWS 11**

The Faith Chapter.

### **JAMES 2**

Faith and works.

### **JAMES 3**

Taming the tongue.

### **JAMES 4**

The cause of war.

### **JAMES 5**

Anointing and prayer.

### **REVELATION 2-3**

The seven churches of Revelation.

### **REVELATION 6**

The first six seals.

### **REVELATION 12**

God's Church through history.

### **REVELATION 19**

The return of Jesus Christ.

### **REVELATION 20**

Millennium, binding of Satan, and Great White Throne Judgment.

### **REVELATION 21-22**

New heaven and new earth.

# IMPORTANT BIBLE LISTS

Here are some important lists from the Bible that are helpful to memorize.

## THE 10 COMMANDMENTS (EXODUS 20, SHORT FORM)

- 1 You shall have no other gods before Me.
- 2 You shall not make idols.
- 3 You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
- 4 Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- 5 Honor your father and your mother.
- 6 You shall not murder.
- 7 You shall not commit adultery.
- 8 You shall not steal.
- 9 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 10 You shall not covet.

## THE 12 APOSTLES (MARK 3:16-19)

- 1 Simon Peter
- 2 James
- 3 John
- 4 Andrew
- 5 Philip
- 6 Bartholomew
- 7 Matthew
- 8 Thomas
- 9 James (the son of Alphaeus)
- 10 Thaddaeus
- 11 Simon (the Canaanite)
- 12 a. Judas Iscariot  
b. Matthias (Acts 1:26)

## THE ARMOR OF GOD (EPHESIANS 6:11-17)

- 1 Truth—belt.
- 2 Righteousness—breastplate.
- 3 Gospel of Peace—footwear.
- 4 Faith—shield.
- 5 Salvation—helmet.
- 6 The Word of God—sword.

## 12 TRIBES OF ISRAEL (GENESIS 35:23-26)

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| 1 Reuben   | 7 Joseph    |
| 2 Simeon   | 8 Benjamin  |
| 3 Levi     | 9 Dan       |
| 4 Judah    | 10 Naphtali |
| 5 Issachar | 11 Gad      |
| 6 Zebulun  | 12 Asher    |

## THE IMAGE OF DANIEL 2 (SUCCESSION OF GENTILE EMPIRES)

### Image

- 1 Head of gold
- 2 Chest and arms of silver
- 3 Belly and thighs of bronze
- 4 Legs of iron
- 5 Feet partly of iron and clay

### Fulfillment

Babylonian Empire  
Medo-Persian Empire  
Greco-Macedonian Empire  
Roman Empire  
End-time revival of Roman Empire in Europe

## THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION 2-3

- 1 Ephesus
- 2 Smyrna
- 3 Pergamos
- 4 Thyatira
- 5 Sardis
- 6 Philadelphia
- 7 Laodicea

## GOD'S SEVEN FESTIVALS (LEVITICUS 23)

- 1 Passover
- 2 Feast of Unleavened Bread
- 3 Feast of Weeks (Pentecost)
- 4 Feast of Trumpets
- 5 Day of Atonement
- 6 Feast of Tabernacles
- 7 The Eighth Day (Last Great Day)

### **GODLY WISDOM (JAMES 3:17)**

- 1 Pure
- 2 Peaceable
- 3 Gentle
- 4 Willing to yield
- 5 Full of mercy and good fruits
- 6 Without partiality
- 7 Without hypocrisy

### **SEVEN FOUNDATIONAL DOCTRINES (HEBREWS 6:1-2)**

- 1 Going on to perfection.
- 2 Repentance from dead works (or works leading to death/sin).
- 3 Faith toward God.
- 4 Baptisms.
- 5 Laying on of hands.
- 6 Resurrection of the dead.
- 7 Eternal judgment.

### **THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT (GALATIANS 5:22-23)**

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| 1 Love          | 6 Goodness     |
| 2 Joy           | 7 Faithfulness |
| 3 Peace         | 8 Gentleness   |
| 4 Longsuffering | 9 Self-Control |
| 5 Kindness      |                |

### **THE BEATITUDES (MATTHEW 5:3-12)**

- 1 Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 2 Blessed are those who mourn,  
For they shall be comforted.
- 3 Blessed are the meek,  
For they shall inherit the earth.
- 4 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
For they shall be filled.
- 5 Blessed are the merciful,  
For they shall obtain mercy.
- 6 Blessed are the pure in heart,  
For they shall see God.
- 7 Blessed are the peacemakers,  
For they shall be called sons of God.
- 8 Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,  
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

### **SEVEN THINGS GOD HATES (PROVERBS 6:16-18)**

- 1 A proud look.
- 2 A lying tongue.
- 3 Hands that shed innocent blood.
- 4 A heart that devises wicked plans.
- 5 Feet that are swift in running to evil.
- 6 A false witness who speaks lies.
- 7 One who sows discord among brethren.



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